



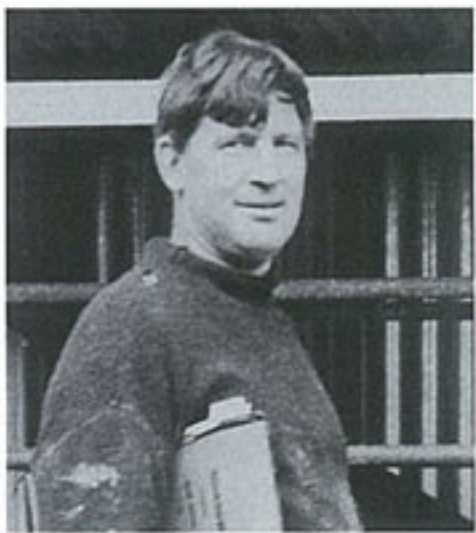
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In the recently completed CAAB Quality 2002 awards - where almost 8000 Angus carcasses were assessed over six months in the world's largest steer and carcass test, Te Mania Angus genetics proved the most successful.

Te Mania Angus genetic clients collected wins across a range of categories, confirming the industry's opinion of the value of the Angus breed.

- Te Mania Kirkman K254 wins best performance progeny from one sire.
- Te Mania Retail R83 wins certificate of excellence for best performance progeny from one sire.
- Te Mania Kelp son Cudgell Creek R16 wins the only other single sire certificate of excellence
- These results build on the 2001 awards when Te Mania Rip R405 wins best overall performance progeny of one sire.

Team Te Mania members Keith and Richard McFarlane, Wellington Lodge, SA, say their Te Mania Kirkman steers are an excellent representation of the commercial quality they have been able to achieve with their transition to becoming a pure Te Mania Angus blood herd.

Richard McFarlane says Team Te Mania is now recognised as a world leading initiative at the

cutting edge of progeny testing and product supply through to the end user.

"The feedback we get has been such a major step forward in the planning of our breeding strategy that our commercial steers have jumped in both quality and cash value every year," Richard says.

"Switching to Te Mania Angus genetics and joining Team Te Mania were two of the best decisions we have ever made and two of the few we have never had to question," he added.

Te Mania Kirkman was purchased by Ardenside at the 1992 Te Mania Angus on-property bull sale for \$11,500. His steers were first identified by Chris Callow in 1994 at AMH, prompting the stud to purchase back 50 pc semen marketing rights.

"He went on to become the first reference sire of Team Te Mania, which now is approaching 300 bulls in its program and continuing to drive our own genetic progress forward at an incredible rate," Tom Gubbins says.

"The extensive computer system which we are now implementing, is going to revolutionize the beef information system from genetics to consumption" he added.

Pictured below is Richard McFarlane with Wellington Lodge females

